

# INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International Application No

PCT/IB2005/050075

**A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER**

IPC 7 A61K49/22

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**B. FIELDS SEARCHED**

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

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Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

EPO-Internal, WPI Data, PAJ, BIOSIS, EMBASE, CHEM ABS Data, SCISEARCH

**C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT**

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	<p>WEITSCHIES W ET AL: "PARTIKULAERE KONTRASTMITTEL ZUR INTRAVASALEN APPLIKATION"            PHARMAZEUTISCHE ZEITUNG, FRANKFURT, DE,            vol. 140, no. 38,            21 September 1995 (1995-09-21), pages            9-16, XP000990911            ISSN: 0031-7136            abstract            'Nicht embolisierende partikuläre Kontrastmittel ....'            -----            -/-</p>	1-7

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Patent family members are listed in annex.

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X	MOGHIMI S M ET AL: "Coating particles with a block co-polymer (poloxamine-908) suppresses opsonization but permits the activity of dysopsonins in the serum" BIOCHIMICA ET BIOPHYSICA ACTA, vol. 1179, no. 2, 1993, pages 157-165, XP002323589 ISSN: 0006-3002 'Discussion' abstract -----	1-13
X	US 6 165 440 A (ESENALIEV ET AL) 26 December 2000 (2000-12-26) cited in the application 'Summary' column 4 example 2 column 10, line 6 - line 21 Claims -----	1-16
X	US 6 645 464 B1 (HAINFELD JAMES F) 11 November 2003 (2003-11-11) columns 9,10 -----	1-16
X	WO 03/002156 A (THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS) 9 January 2003 (2003-01-09) page 7, line 13 - line 20 page 10, line 1 - line 15 page 11, line 5 - line 32 page 12, line 3 - line 6 example 4 -----	1-16

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### Box II Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

This International Search Report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

1.  Claims Nos.: because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:  
**Although claim 15 is directed to a diagnostic method practised on the human/animal body, the search has been carried out and based on the alleged effects of the agent.**
2.  Claims Nos.: because they relate to parts of the International Application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful International Search can be carried out, specifically:
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- The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.
- No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

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Information on patent family members

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